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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PFOR, OVIP, JA
SUBJ: MIYAZAWA VISIT

REF: TOKYO 4133
STATE 72330

1. FOREIGN MINISTER MIYAZAWA MADE FOLLOWING BRIEF STATEMENT TO PRESS FOLLOWING CABINET MEETING MORNING APRIL 1: QTE AFTER THE CABINET MEETING I OBTAINED THE PRIME MINISTER'S APPROVAL OF MY PLAN TO LEAVE TOKYO AFTER PRESIDENT CEAU-CESCU DEPARTS ON PARIL 9 AND TO HAVE MEETINGS IN WASHINGTON ON PARIL 10 AND 11. DETAILS HAVE NOT BEEN WORKED OUT AND THERE WAS NO SPECIFIC INSTRUCTION (REGARDING THOSE DETAILS) FROM THE PRIME MINISTER. I WOULD LIKE TO DIS-PENSE WITH ANY PROTOCOL IN THE U.S. ANC CONCENTRATE ON DISCUSSIONS WITH SECRETARY KISSINGER, DEPUTY SECRETARY INGERSOLL AND OTHERS. I HAVE NO FURTHER WISH THAN THAT. I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE THIS TRIP STRICTLY BUSINESS AND CON-CLIDE IN THE SHORTEST POSSIBLE TIME. IT MIGHT BE A GOOD IDEA FOR OUR AMBASSADOR TO THE UNITED NATIONS AND OTHERS TO COME TO WASHINGTON TO MEET WITH US. AS FOR THE MEMBER-SHIP OF THE TRAVELLING PARTY, I HAVE LEFT THAT UP TO VICE MINISTER TOGO. UNQTE.

2. AS FORESHADOWED BY YAMAZAKI'S REMARKS REF A, APRIL 1 MORNING PRESS CARRIED FAIRLY ACCURATE STORIES ON VISIT PLAN, SOME PAPERS, HOWEVER, ALSO REFERRED IN PASSING TO THE CONFIDENTIAL

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POSSIBILITY THAT MIYAZAWA MIGHT MEET WITH PRESIDENT FORD.

YAMAZAKI, IN CONVERSATION REPORTED REF A, MADE NEGATIVE
REFERENCE TO THIS POSSIBILITY, SAYING THAT MIYAZAWA INTENDED
TO CONCENTRATE ONLY ON MEETINGS WITH THE SECRETARY AND
SENIOR DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS AND DID NOT INTEND TO ASK FOR
MEETING WITH PRESIDENT FORD. (COMMENT: FONOFF IBVIOUSLY
CONSIDERS IT INAPPROPRIATE TO SUGGEST MEETING WITH THE
PRESIDENT, BUT JUST AS OBVIOUSLY WOULD BE DELIGHTED IF IT
WERE OFFERED.)

3. FONOFF THIS MORNING EXPRESSED SATISFACTION WITH DEPART-
MENT'S PLANS FOR PUBLIC AFFAIRS HANDLING OF ANNOUNCEMENT
REF B, ASKING ONLY THAT SPOKESMAN NOT CONTRADICT MINISTER'S
INDICATION TO LOCAL PRESS THAT WASHINGTON MEETINGS WOULD
EXTEND OVER APRIL 10 AND 11.

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